Child Care Profiles

District of Columbia - Ward 3   **December 2004**

Office of Early Childhood Development
District of Columbia Department of Human Services

Population Facts*

Residents (2000 Census)	67,972
Children under 14	6,449
Children 0 thru 2	1,731
Children 3 thru 4	962
Children 5 thru 13	3,756
Median Income	$71,875
Children in poverty	3.0%
Low-Income Children	7.4%

Children Needing Services

Estimated number of children with all parents working:

★	0-5	2,029
★	6-17	3,537
	Total	5,566

* Source: Census 2000

Child Care in Ward 3

Licensed Child Care Supply = 2,313

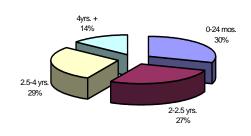Licensed Center Slots = 2,290

Licensed Home Slots = 23

Licensed Infant Slots = 147

99.3% of all enrolled child care slots are in child development centers

Up to 24 months	3% of center slots
Preschool (2-4 yrs.)	65% of center slots
School age (4 yrs.+)	32% of center slots

Children on Waiting Lists

Total	1,259
Up to 24 months	381
2—2.5 years	344
2.5—4 years	359
Over 4 years	175

Daily Child Care Rates at Child Care Centers

Service Group	Market Rate (75th percentile)	DHS Contract	All Centers
★ Infant	$ 57.04	$ NA	$ 57.04
★ Toddler I	$ 53.58	$ NA	$ 53.58
★ Toddler II	$ 37.64	$ 49.75	$ 49.75
★ Preschool	$ 42.03	$ 42.96	$ 42.03
★ School-Age	$ 45.84	$ 42.96	$ 42.96

Ward 3 Child Care Center Service Characteristics

Types of Services Offered by Centers

Service Provided	% of Homes
★ Full-time Care	40 %
★ Part-time Care	75 %
★ After School Care	30 %
★ Evening	5 %
★ Weekend	0 %
★ Overnight	0 %
★ Holiday	0 %
★ Drop in	5 %
★ Emergency or Back Up Care	15 %
★ Children with Disabilities	55 %

Types of Providers (by Self-Type)

Provider Type	% of Centers
★ Nonprofit	70 %
★ For Profit	20 %
★ Employer / Corporate	0 %
★ Private School	50 %
★ Government Agency	5 %
★ Head Start	5 %
★ Part of a System	5 %
★ Faith-Based Organization	25 %
★ 23-Hour Provider	5 %

Ward 3 Family Home Provider Service Characteristics

Types of Services Offered by Centers

Service Provided	% of Homes
★ Full-time Care	100 %
★ Part-time Care	33 %
★ Evening	0 %
★ Weekend	0 %
★ Overnight	0 %
★ Holiday	0 %
★ Drop in	0 %
★ Emergency or Back Up Care	33 %
★ Children with Disabilities	0 %

Types of Providers (by Self-Type)

Provider Type	% of Homes
★ Nonprofit	0 %
★ For Profit	100 %
★ Employer / Corporate	0 %
★ Private School	0 %
★ Government Agency	0 %
★ Head Start	0 %
★ Part of a System	0 %
★ Faith-Based Organization	0 %
★ 23-Hour Provider	0 %

Other Child Care Facts and Figures

★ 7% of children enrolled at child development centers are children with disabilities.

★ 55% of child development centers are willing to expand their services to care for additional children

★ No providers indicated a willingness to expand services overnight but 5% are willing to extend hours of service.

★ NOTE: 2004 Child Care Profiles are based on current Ward boundaries.

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